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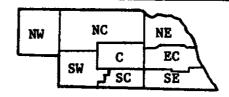
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WEATHER

The extreme eastern portion of Nebraska reported around one-third of an inch of precipitation while the rest of the State was dry. Temperatures were about three degrees below normal over the Panhandle and five degrees below normal over the remainder of the State.

GENERAL

Generally favorable conditions prevailed during the week allowing soybean and sorghum harvests to be virtually completed. Corn harvest continued to show good progress with many eastern, central and southern counties practically complete. Sugar beet harvest continued to progress well with most areas over 80% completed. As harvesting activities were being completed this week, producers turned to fall tillage operations during the 6.4 days considered suitable for fieldwork.

Topsoil moisture supplies rated 71% short and 29% adequate. Subsoil supplies rated 86% short and 14% adequate. A year ago, topsoil moisture rated 68% short, 31% adequate and 1% surplus. Subsoil supplies were 68% short and 32% adequate.

Supplies of gasoline, LP gas and diesel fuel rated 95% adequate and 5% surplus.

CROPS

Nebraska's corn harvest was 90% completed compared to 45% last year and 55% normal. Harvest continues to run four weeks ahead of normal at the State level, with a number of south central and southeastern counties 100% complete. In some Panhandle counties, harvesting is just getting underway.

Soybean harvest was 95% completed compared to 97% last year and 85% normal.

Sorghum harvest, also at 95% complete, compares to 70% last year and 75% normal.

Wheat crop condition continues to be rated mostly fair. Much of the wheat which was lying dry has now begun germinating with improved stands reported. Additional moisture continues to be needed in many areas for increased fall growth.

LIVESTOCK

Pasture and range feed supplies rated mostly short to adequate. Cattlemen have been busy weaning calves. Many cattle herds are grazing fall harvested fields for gleanings. Marketing of yearlings continues strong in western counties.

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^{1/} Courtesy Center for Agricultural Meteorology and Climatology, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING 6:00 A.M. SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1980

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TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING 12:00 A.M. MONDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1980

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	Sidney	69	11	39		0	
NC	Burwell						
	Valentine	69	19	41 ·	-6	T	
NE	Norfolk	79	21	45	- 5	.44	
	Sioux City	74	19	44	-6	.18	
CEN	Grand Island	78	20	46	- 5	.21	
EC	Lincoln	77	22	48	-4	.34	
	Omaha	76	26	47	-4	.35	
SW	Imperial	75	18	44		Ò	
	North Platte	73	17	42	- 6	T	

^{1/} Precipitation totals not included in map above.